

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the Section entitled "Reference to Related Cases", on page 1 with the following new paragraph:

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This patent application is a Continuation-In-Part application based upon and claiming priority of U.S. Patent Application, U.S. Serial No. 09/518,320, filed March 3, 2000, now U.S. Patent 6,624,827, issued September 30, 2003, and entitled UNIVERSAL TENSION SPRING SUPPORT MEMBER FOR BED RAILS OR BED FRAME.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at line 19 of page 29 and ending at line 2 of page 30 with the following rewritten paragraph:

Turning now to Fig. 4A, there is shown a perspective view of a leg assembly 117 that can be used and which comprises the housing components 94, 94 of the prior embodiment. In this embodiment, however, the leg assembly 117 is adapted to be used as a support for any cross member or even a side rail or other piece of furniture. As can be seen, the housing components 94, 96 are the same components as used with the Fig. 4 embodiment and thus the leg 100 extends downwardly toward the floor to contact the floor and provide the needed support. The lower extremity of the leg 100 may be a glide, standard caster roller, or may be a specially designed caster assembly that is shown and described in U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/519,725, now U.S. Patent 6,568,031, issued May 27, 2003 and entitled "CASTER ASSEMBLY FOR A BED FRAME MEMBER OR FURNITURE, filed on the same day as the parent application of the present application and the disclosure of ~~that~~ application which is incorporated herein by reference.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at line 1 of page 33 and ending at line 7 of page 33 with the following rewritten paragraph:

In Fig. 8A, there is shown a schematic side view, broken away and partly in cross section, of a completed connection between a slide end 76 and a rail connector 82 such that the inwardly extending lip 128 can be seen to hold the upwardly extending wedge 118 firmly in a position to make the connection. As shown, the rail connector 82 is held to the custom roll formed rail 130 by the metal clips 136, however as also can be seen, there are blind screw bosses 138 formed in the rail connector 82 when the rail connector 82 is affixed to a side rail by means such as the screws of the prior embodiment.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at line 25 of page 34 and ending at line 10 of page 35 with the following rewritten paragraph:

Thus, finally, in Fig. 13, there is shown a perspective view of a caster assembly 156 that is affixed to the universal cross member 64 and which can be used in place of the leg used in the prior embodiments. In this caster assembly 156, leg extending downwardly from the cross member 66 so as to contact the floor and provide support to the overall completed bed. Thus, in this embodiment, the upstanding stem 158 can fit into the housing components 94, 96 of Fig. 4 and the caster assembly comprises a plurality of rollers 160 to provide support for the universal cross member 64. A caster assembly construction that is preferred for this embodiment is shown and described in U.S. Patent application entitled CASTER ASSEMBLY FOR A BED FRAME MEMBER OR FURNITURE, U.S. Serial No. 09/519,725, now U.S. Patent 6,568,031, issued May 27, 2003, and filed on the same date as the parent application of the present application, the disclosure of which ~~application~~ is incorporated in its entirety into the present application by reference thereto.